

Harveys Lake Borough, Luzerne County
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2025

The Regular Council Meeting of the Harveys Lake Borough was held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the General Municipal Authority of Harveys Lake building, 4875 Memorial Highway, Harveys Lake, PA, 18618.

Vice President Hogan called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone, and asked everyone to join in the pledge of the flag.

Vice President Hogan announced that the meeting was being recorded and requested the names of all public members with a recording device. Jessica Kelly responded

Roll Call

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| Mike Rush | Mayor | Not Present |
| David A. Delaney | President | Not Present |
| Clarence Hogan | Vice President | Present |
| Lewis Evans | Council Member | Present |
| Brandon Harris | Council Member | Present |
| Robinn Mikalic | Council Member | Not Present |
| Robert Prescott | Council Member | Not Present |
| Charles West | Council Member | Present |
| William Watt | Solicitor | Present |

Public Comment

Several residents spoke during public comment

Harveys Lake Beach Club and the water coming from Queen of Peace Road, Permit for hydrilla approved until 2028, Debris can be cleaned out by hand in the creek

Forensic Audit, Loan, Garbage collection

Zoning, increased fees compared to other municipalities

Tax increase current and future, Harveys Lake Police coverage area and surrounding municipalities

Reports from appointed officials and special committees

Police Report: Police Chief Charlie Musial – 291 calls for January

Roads Committee: *Brandon Harris, Clarence Hogan – Maintenance continues. The road crew has been out maintaining the roads during the recent snow storms

Finance Committee: *Robinn Mikalic, Brandon Harris, Clarence Hogan – January - balance in general checking \$162,777.98 Bills - \$59,054.47

Zoning Committee: *Brandon Harris, Clarence Hogan, Robert Prescott – January – 5 Zoning permits issued \$305.00 collected 9 building permits issued \$3,675.52 collected

Garbage Committee: *Charles West, Robert Prescott, Brandon Harris – any roads that are snow-covered or icy, the truck will not attempt to collect on these roads. Council member West is working with the company when this happens for a pick-up point for residents.

Grants Committee: *Clarence Hogan, Robinn Mikalic, Brandon Harris – No Report

Sewer Committee: *Robinn Mikalic, Brandon Harris, Charles West – Maintenance continues. The department has 3 vehicles and 4 employees

Back Mountain Community Partnership (BMCP): *Clarence Hogan, Charlie Musial, Allyson Barcheski – no report

Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC): *Lewis Evans, Robert Prescott, Charles West – A grant from 2022 needs to be closed out and EAC is working with Princeton Hydro to complete it. During the summer months, tests will be completed. EAC has reached out to the Luzerne Foundation for donations to EAC.

Rain Tax/Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority (WVSA) Committee: *Robert Prescott, Brandon Harris, Charles West – No report

Recreation Committee: * Clarence Hogan, Mike Rush – The Easter Event will be held on April 19, 2025, at Lake Noxen Elementary School.

Motion made by Council Member West and seconded by Council Member Harris to accept reports from committees.

Old Business

Motion to approve the Resolution on Garbage Fees at the 2025 rate of \$450 with a two (2) percent (%) discount if paid within 60 days. If payments are not received by the due date a two (2) percent (%) penalty will apply.

Motion made by Council Member Evans and seconded by Council Member West

New Business

Motion to approve Special events for the Back Mountain Triathlon on August 24, 2025.

Motion made by Council Member Harris and seconded by Council Member Evans

Motion to approve Special events permit for Bridge Fest 2025.

Motion made by Council Member Harris and seconded by Council Member West

Motion to Appoint the Secretary/Treasurer as the Chief Administration Officer for the Police Pension

Motion made by Council Member West and seconded by Council Member Harris

Motion to Close the current Harveys Lake Recreational Committee bank account and open a new account appointing signors. Signors for the new account will be President Delaney and Vice President Hogan.

Motion made by Council Member Evans and seconded by Council Member West

Motion to approve Component 3 applications

Hafker Component 3 Resolution 0201

Motion made by Council Member Harris and seconded by Council Member Evans

Lawrence Component 3 Resolution 0202

Motion made by Council Member Harris and seconded by Council Member Evans

Motion to pay the Bills and Payroll for January.

Motion made by Council Member Harris and seconded by Council Member Evans

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| \$60,855.99 | Payroll |
| \$59,054.47 | Bills |
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| \$119,910.46 | Total |

Adjournment

Motion made by Council Member Harris and seconded by Council Member West at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully,

Allyson Barcheski
Borough Secretary